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CASE NO. 10329/3

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In compliance with Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby submit the following references and information for consideration by the Examiner. Copies of the references and information, except U.S. Patent No. 5,678,045 and Japanese references nos. 08-097853 and 10-083362, are

enclosed along with a completed copy of Form PTO-1449. Copies of U.S. Patent No. 5,678,045 and Japanese references nos. 08-097853 and 10-083362 were supplied in Applicants' Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on March 1, 2002 and so copies of which are not required under 37 CFR §§ 1.97-98.

I. DISCLOSURE

A. U.S. Patents

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Inventor</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
5,678,045	Bettels	10/14/97

B. Foreign Patents

<u>Reference No.</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Pub. Date</u>
08-097853	Japan	04/12/96
10-083362	Japan	03/31/98

C. Literature and Information

1. C. Weider et al., "Technical Overview of Directory Services Using the X.500 Protocol," published by Network Working Group, published 1992, seventeen pages.

2. English language Abstract of Japanese publication 08-097853, publisher unknown, it is believed that the English language Abstract was published prior to May 10, 2001, one page.

3. English language Abstract of Japanese publication 10-083362, publisher unknown, it is believed that the English language Abstract was published prior to May 10, 2001, one page.

4. Translation of Japanese publication 08-097853.

II. DISCUSSION

A. U.S. Patent No. 5,678,045

The '045 patent was cited in a Written Opinion for a corresponding Patent Cooperation Treaty patent application.

B. Japanese Reference No. 08-097853

Based solely on the drawings and the corresponding English language translation, the '853 reference is pertinent because it appears to disclose a method of transmitting email without requiring addresses of partners to be specifically identified.

The '853 reference was cited in a Written Opinion for a corresponding Patent Cooperation Treaty patent application.

C. Japanese Reference No. 10-083362

Based solely on the drawings and the corresponding English language Abstract, the '362 reference is pertinent because it appears to disclose filling in the name of a person included in the back text field into an address field. The name of the person is converted into an email address.

The '362 reference and the corresponding English language Abstract were cited in a Written Opinion for a corresponding Patent Cooperation Treaty patent application.

III. CONCLUSION

It is believed that none of these references, alone or in combination, disclose or suggest the invention claimed. However, Applicants wish to make it clear that the disclosure of the above references is in no way an admission that they qualify as prior art. It is Applicants' desire,

however, to have these references available in the record for both the Examiner and the public to see. Applicants therefore request that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of each reference and make the above-listed references of record.

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